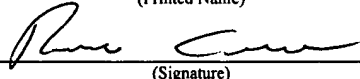




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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

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Sir:

This Reply and Amendment is in response to the non-final Office Action dated May 4, 2004 (confirmation no. 4119). A petition requesting a one-month extension accompanies this response and extends the due date to September 4, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

As to this response, Applicants note the following:

**The Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.